

KENTUCKY BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
MINUTES
August 8, 2003

A meeting of the Kentucky Occupational Therapy Board was held at the Division of Occupations and Professions, Frankfort, KY on August 8, 2003.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Laurie Farlow, Chairperson
Julya Westfall
Laura Strickland
Teresa Conley-Buckner

OCCUPATIONS & PROFESSIONS STAFF

Karen M. Robinson, Board Administrator

OTHERS

Jim Grawe, Office of the Attorney General

ABSENT

Julie Kropf
Kelly Nash

Chairperson Laurie Farlow called the meeting to order at 9:26 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the July 11, 2003 meeting were presented for the Board's review. A motion was made by Julya Westfall to approve the minutes as amended. Motion, seconded by Laura Strickland, carried.

Approval of Financial Statement

The Board reviewed the financial statements for the Final – FY03. After review, Teresa Conley-Buckner made the motion to accept the financial statements as presented. Motion, seconded by Julya Westfall, carried.

Licensure Status Report

The licensure status report for the month of July 2003 was provided for member information. The report showed 1499 licensed OTs and 369 OTAs along with 111 OTs and 12 OTAs certified to practice in Deep Physical Agent Modalities.

New Business

The Board reviewed a notice from the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy, Inc, (NBCOT), announcing the vacancies for the 2004 NBCOT Certification Examination Development Committee (CEDC) and the State Regulatory Advisory Committee (SRAC) for 2004. No action was taken as this was for informational purposes only.

Comments on the proposed regulation were received from licensed OTR, Jamie Ginter regarding duties of occupational therapy assistants. The Board reviewed the comments and a motion was made by Laura Strickland to respond to these comments as discussed in the Statement of Consideration. Motion, seconded by Teresa Conley-Buckner, carried.

Old Business

A motion was made by Laura Strickland to approve the amended changes to the Deep Physical Agent Modalities regulations as discussed. Motion, seconded by Julya Westfall, carried.

Laura Strickland requested Jim Grawe to contact the Board of Optometry's attorney, Cheryl Mooney to determine the status of their position on the Low Vision regulations. Mr. Grawe will email Ms. Strickland with any response that he receives from Ms. Mooney regarding this regulation.

A communication plan for the regulatory changes was discussed and amended by the Board. It was decided that state parks would not be utilized due to the distance between the parks and the metro areas. Instead, it was decided that each Board representative determine their locations and that two members attend each meeting. The following representatives and locations were determined as follows: Laura Strickland will coordinate northern Kentucky and the Louisville area with a tentative date of November 13, 2003; Kelly Nash will cover the Bowling Green area tentatively scheduled for December 3, 2003; Julia Westfall will coordinate the Paducah area for November 13, 2003 and the Hazard area with a date of December 4, 2003; and Teresa Conley-Buckner will cover the Lexington area with a tentative date of November 13, 2003. Each representative has been asked to have their dates and locations settled by the October 10, 2003 Board meeting.

The Board requested Karen Robinson to process a mass mailing to all licensees announcing the new regulations. Ms. Robinson will send the notice and a copy of the new laws and regulations once they have been finalized and have completed the legislative process, which is expected to happen sometime near November 1, 2003.

Laurie Farlow reported on information of a session schedule for the 2003 KOTA Conference. The panel will consist of Nancy Black, Karen Thomas-Lentz, Thom Fisher, and a Board member. Each panel member will be given four questions. The KBLOT/KOTA Forum will be held Friday, September 19, 2003 from 4:30 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. and the KBLOT Regulation Review will be held on Saturday, September 20, 2003 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Complaints

OT-2002-05 - Investigation Pending

OT-2003-01 - Initiate Investigation

OTR and COTA Application Review

The motion was made by Laura Strickland and seconded by Julia Westfall to approve the following applications as discussed:

Temporary COTA – Gazetta L. Johnson

Temporary OTR – Aleta G. Cannon, Mary C. Cheney, Jessica A. Childers, Brandy R. Close, Angela R. Gonyer, Melissa K. Hall, Jason M. Hale, Leah D. Hardison, Erin E. Kelley, Kelli P. Leaks, Tara J. Long, Michelle L. Roberts, and Bridgett M. Wagers.

COTA – Melinda M. Crabtree, Tina M. Haig, Karen M. Jones, and Sheila R. Pearl.

OTR – Angela R. Barrett, Reina J. Beaven, Richelle M. Beck, Michelle L. Bergman, Kimberly J. Harley, Jennifer J. Hodge, Mary Beth McMahon, Sarah E. Melanson, Lea M. Morgan, Tammy R. Spencer, and Tami K. Whitson.

OTR Reinstatement – Christina M. Pauley

Michael S. Shelton was denied a temporary permit as an occupational therapy assistant until a current copy of NBCOT's *Confirmation of Examination Registration and Eligibility to Examine* form is submitted to the Board office.

DPAM Application Review

The motion was made by Laura Strickland and seconded by Julya Westfall to approve the following applications as discussed:

DPAM Specialty Certification – Sandra J. Allen, Catherine J. Cherry, Amy S. French, Joanie M. Harris, Cathryn M. McMahan, Marlisa L. Nolan, Renee T. Pirtle, Leita R. Stethen, Alanna M. Thornbury, and Mark R. Whitworth.

DPAM Specialty Certification Supervisor – Susan Baetzel, Jacquelyn K. Halbman, Karen A. Kilic, Paula F. Mitchell, Earl D. Nolan III, Shawn E. Stanley, and Kimberlee Beth L. Taylor.

Application from Jess Perkinson, JVB Enterprises was approved for 13 hours of continuing education credit for the program "Therapeutic Ultrasound & Electrical Stimulation" scheduled for October 25-26, 2003.

Approval of Travel and Per Diem

A motion was made by Julya Westfall to approve travel and per-diem for today's meeting. The motion, seconded by Laura Strickland, carried.

Election of Board Chair

A motion was made by Laura Strickland to elect Julya Westfall to serve as Board chair through the annual November Board elections. Motion, seconded by Teresa Conley-Buckner, carried.

Adjournment

With all business completed, the meeting adjourned at 11:21 a.m.

The next meeting of the Occupational Therapy Board will be held September 12, 2003, 9:00 a.m. at the Division of Occupations and Professions, Frankfort, KY.

Approved